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Bourbon County Man Sentenced to 37 Years for Production of Child Pornography

FRANKFORT, Ky.— A Versailles, Ky., man, Timothy Caylor, 49, was sentenced to 444 months (37 years) in federal prison on Tuesday, by U.S. District Judge Gregory Van Tatenhove, after pleading guilty to production of child pornography.

According to Caylor's plea agreement, after receiving a complaint of a couple whose daughter had received inappropriate text and voice messages from Caylor, law enforcement went to Caylor's mother's residence, where he was staying. Officers found him hiding in the bathroom and asked for his consent to search his phones, where they found child exploitation material, including images of unidentified minors. A search warrant from Caylor's Instagram and Facebook revealed he induced two minors to take and send sexual images. Caylor admitted that he had contacted minors online, and he sent them sexual images, as well.

Caylor was previously convicted of first-degree Sexual Abuse in Boone Circuit Court in February 1998.

Caylor pleaded guilty to the charges in September 2021.

Under federal law, Caylor must serve 85 percent of his prison sentence. Upon his release from prison, he will be under the supervision of the U.S. Probation Office for life.

Carlton S. Shier, IV, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky; Jerry Templet, Special Agent in Charge of Homeland Security Investigations (HSI); Jodi Cohen, Special Agent in Charge, FBI, Louisville Filed Division; and Colonel Phillip Burnett, Jr., Commissioner, Kentucky State Police, jointly announced the sentence.

The investigation was conducted by the Department of Homeland Security-HSI, FBI and KSP. The United States was represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney David Marye.

This case was prosecuted as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the

Department of Justice. Led by U.S. Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov.